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cannot replace a political solution with the Palestinians.

The Jerusalem Post reported that yesterday the security establishment had Qsome scathing criticismQ for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency after the IDF claimed that three ambulances transferred to the organization three weeks ago were seized by Hamas.

Leading media reported that yesterday the Aish HaTorah Yeshiva installed a model of the Second Jewish Temple on the roof its building opposite the Western Wall.

HaQaretz reported that the State Department is keeping a low profile on the detention by Iran of three young Americans who crossed the border from Iraq into Iran. The newspaper said that IranQs claim that one of them is a QZionist extremistQ is probably due to a mistaken identification. Yediot claims that the State Department sharply criticized Iran on this issue.

Makor Rishon-Hatzofe and Israel Radio reported on the visit of an AIPAC-sponsored congressional delegation, whose aim is to bring Congress members closer to Israel and its values.

The Jerusalem Post reported that, for the first time, an Israeli business delegation visited Indonesia, the worldQs largest Muslim country, to forge closer ties between the two countries.

Leading media quoted Bank of Israel Governor Stanley Fischer as saying yesterday that he central bank cannot beat the market and that it will not continue to buy foreign currency forever.

The Jerusalem Post quoted Finance Minister Yuval Steinitz as saying yesterday that Israel may gain admission to the OECD early next year.

The Jerusalem Post reported that this week, an Israel Air Force team won the Air Mobility RODEO 2009 competition in the U.S., taking home the Col. Joe M. Jackson Trophy for best C-130 (Hercules) air crew.

The Jerusalem Post reported that the new Israeli Disney Channel is holding casting auditions for the upcoming Hebrew version of the popular Disney show As the Bell Rings.

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